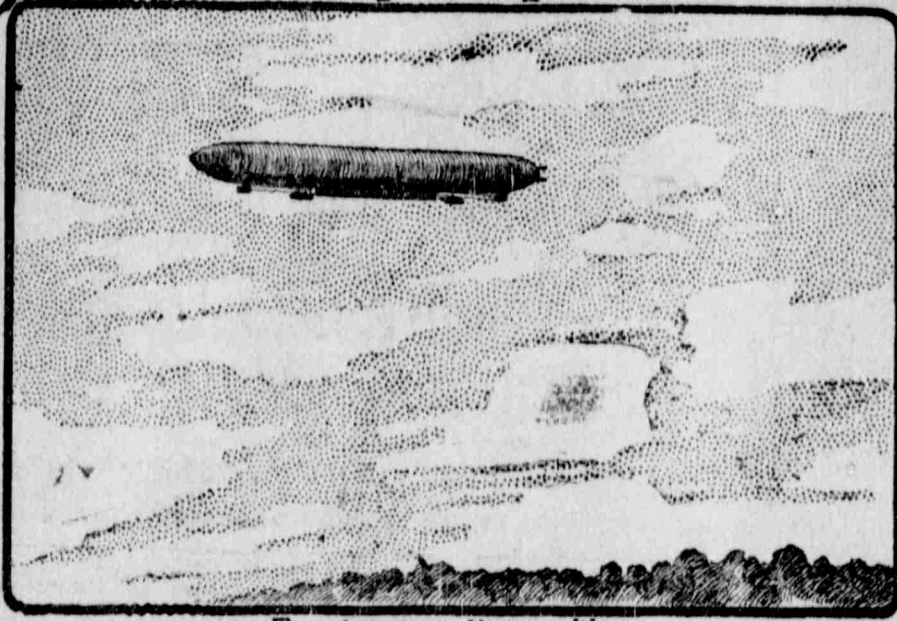
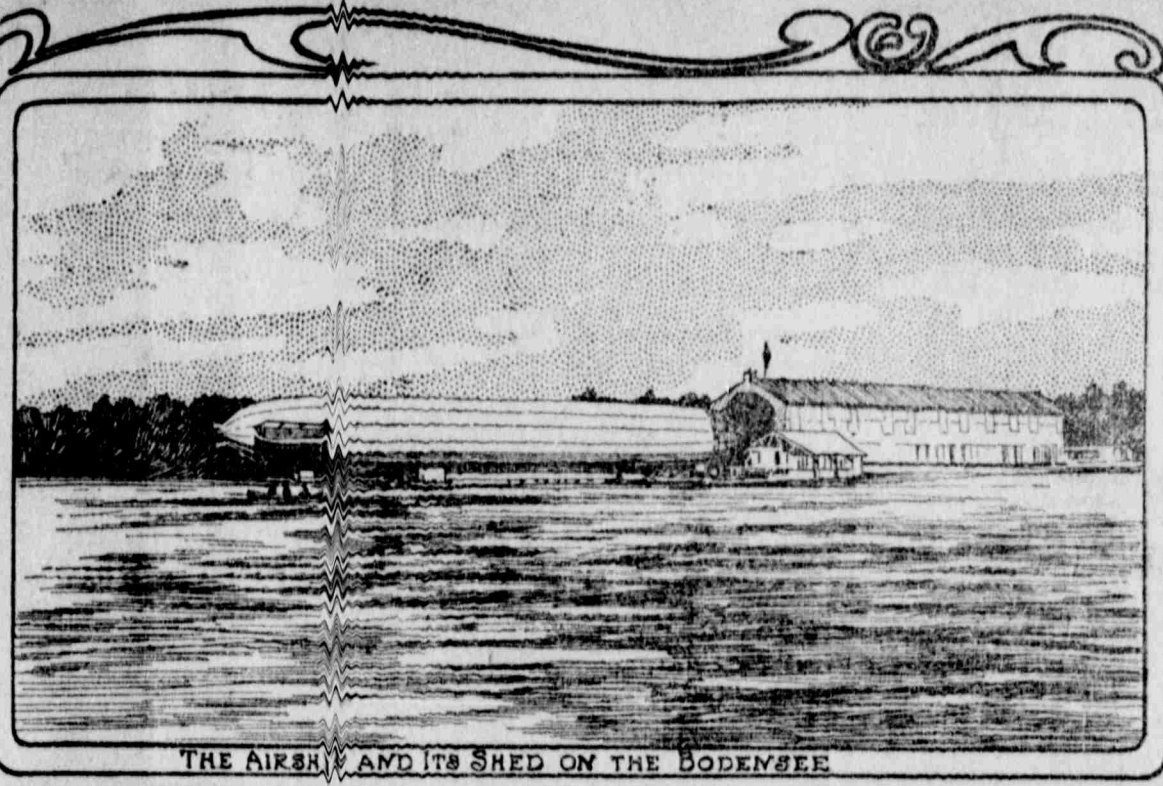


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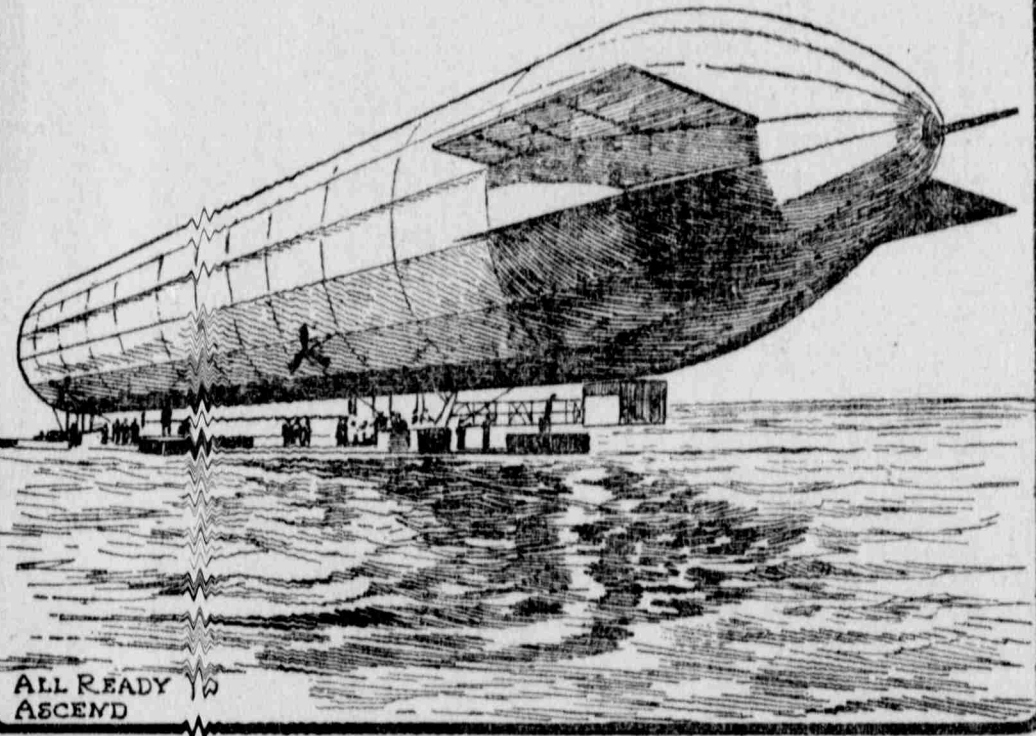
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THE AIRSHIP UNDER WAY



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COUNT FERDINAND VON ZEPPELIN'S latest and greatest airship experiment was his recent successful trial trip in his new vessel, which is model No. 3 of the series constructed by the noted German aeronaut in his persistent and plucky efforts to build an airship that will be useful in warfare.

The inventor, alighting safely and gracefully on the platform from which it had arisen. This airship differs materially from any that has been built heretofore. The trial trips were the most important of the history of aeronautics. The new ship is the largest ever built, carries more passengers than any other airship yet constructed and appears to have been handled with greater ease and precision than any of its predecessors.

Count von Zeppelin has departed from the ordinary type of airship, such as those made by Santos-Dumont in France and by Baldwin and Knabenshue in America. These are of the simple gas bag pattern, the potato-shaped balloon carrying a frail apparatus of motor and steering gear. The Von Zeppelin airship has an immense cylinder of aluminum in place of the simple gas bag. Inside this long cylinder are sixteen compartments, each carrying a balloon inflated with hydrogen gas. The long advance over the other type is obvious. The Baldwin airship would collapse at once if the gas bag were injured sufficiently to

let the gas escape. The Von Zeppelin ship may be seriously wounded in one compartment, but that cannot result fatally. There are still fifteen balloons to buoy up the monster. The watertight bulkheads in a steamship correspond to this mode of construction. The German count's air vessel is also like a steamship in size. It is 475 feet long. This ship is built for business, not as a curious toy. The long, cherished ambition of the inventor is to make an airship which may be of practical use in war. He hopes to build a ship which will be able to sail

above a hostile army and drop dynamite or other explosives into the camp without endangering the ship or its passengers or crew. Count von Zeppelin has been working diligently with this end in view for more than a dozen years, and the German government has aided him materially. Emperor William at one time contributed several hundred thousand marks to aid the count in his work.

The builder of this huge air craft is a military man of wide renown, though he has devoted so many years to aeronautic experiments that the world has overlooked his career as a soldier. Count von Zeppelin was a lieutenant general in the German army. When of lower rank he made fame during the Franco-Prussian war as the first German officer to cross the frontier into France. As a leader of army scouts he did much to maneuver the third Napoleon and his armies into positions where the Prussians crushed them easily.

It is interesting to know that the first balloon ascension made by Von Zeppelin took place in the United States. That was in 1864. He was sent to this country as one of the German military attaches observing the movements of our armies during the civil war. In the course of his observations he made several balloon trips.

Now the world is wondering how long it will be before Count von Zeppelin will make good his prediction of some years ago that he would sail by the air route from Berlin to New York in two and a half days.

JAMES R. BENTLEY.

BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS, 1906

THIS IS THE TIME OF THE YEAR WHEN THE BOTHERSOME QUESTION OF A SUITABLE CHRISTMAS GIFT COMES UP.

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